Technical Circular T-05/04

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TO: All HQ Directors: Operations, Planning & Major Projects
All Regional Directors
All District Highways Managers
Manager, Provincial Sign Shop

Subject: C- 035 Construction Project Signs

Background:

This Technical Circular supercedes T-04/03 Opening Up BC – Project Signs. The construction project sign font and sheeting has been adjusted to improve readability and to add the 2010 logo. Also an End of Project sign face has been developed.

Policy

Signs must be erected for projects with an approximate value of $500,000 or greater and should include rehabilitation, and expansion capital projects. Signs may be erected for smaller projects if the projects have construction duration longer than two months and are in high traffic areas.

The project manager is responsible for the timely ordering of the C-035 signs from a sign manufacturer, providing the appropriate project information to produce the signs and arranging delivery to the contractor. The new C-035 sign fabrication records for manufacturing purposes will be available on our Ministry web page located at; http://www.th.gov.bc.ca/publications/eng_publications/geomet/geometsigns.htm

Signs should be erected at an appropriate time so that they do not become dated, or so that the public expectation is not raised unduly. The appropriate time is at the start of construction activity.

Two sign sizes are provided. The C-035 sign is to be used for conventional highways with posted speed limits of 100 km/h or less. The C-035X is to be used on expressways and freeways with a posted speed limit of 80 km/h or greater. The End of Project, C-035EOP sign face shall be installed on the back of the C-035 sign on the opposing approach.

The sign to be used is attached to this Technical Circular. The information on the sign must contain

- Project name (15 characters maximum)
- Description i.e. paving, bridge replacement etc. (25 characters maximum)
- Expected completion date by season, e.g. Fall 2003
- overall project value e.g. $22.5 million

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The new Construction Project Signing shall be used on all new projects. It is not necessary to retrofit signs for projects that are already underway.

As well, information tabs (smaller signs that get attached below the project sign) should be developed. These tabs can provide:

- Construction Site Safety with the name of contractor C-035 C
- Safety contact information C-035 CT

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